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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 16517.257

First Inventor Sherri M. BROWN, et al.

Title Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with the  
Gibberellin Pathway

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 219]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☐ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets ]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 15]
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☒ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☒ paper
  - c. ☒ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
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of prior application No: 09 / 252,974

Prior application information: Examiner ZEMAN, M.

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Re: U.S. Continuation Application  
Appl. No.: To Be Assigned  
Filed: Herewith  
For: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules  
Associated with the Gibberellin Pathway  
Inventors: Sherri M. BROWN, *et al.*  
Atty. Docket: 16517.257

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S.  
Patent and Trademark Office.

1. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (PTO/SB/05);
2. U.S. Non-Provisional Application entitled:

**Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with the Gibberellin Pathway**

and naming as inventors:

Sherri M. Brown, Gregory R. Heck and Jingdong Liu;

the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing:
  - (i) 214 pages of a description prior to the claims;
  - (ii) 4 pages of claims (9 claims); and
  - (iii) a one (1) page abstract;
3. a Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;

4. the sequence listing in computer readable form (*i.e.*, CRF) (1 diskette);
5. a paper copy of the sequence listing (34 pages);
6. a Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) (PTO/SB/35);
7. Preliminary Amendment;
8. check No. 139309 in the amount of \$710 to cover the basic continuation filing fee; and
9. two (2) return postcards.

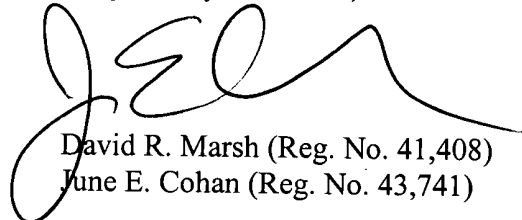
Submitted herewith is a sequence listing and a sequence listing in Computer Readable Form (CRF) on diskette, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.52(e), 1.77, and 1.823.

It is respectfully requested that, of the two attached postcards, one be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier, and the other, prepaid postcard, be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

This application is a continuation of prior application no. 09/252,974 filed on February 19, 1999.

Applicants do not believe that any fees other than the basic filing fee (\$710) are due in conjunction with this filing. However, should any additional fees be required, the Patent and Trademark Office is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Arnold and Porter deposit account 50-1824 referencing matter number 16517.257. This letter is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosures

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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
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35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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| First Named Inventor | Sherri M. BROWN, et al.                                                            |
| Title                | Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules Associated with the Gibberellin Pathway |
| Atty Docket Number   | 16517.257                                                                          |

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

September 19, 2001  
Date

  
Signature

David R. Marsh ( Reg. No 41,408)  
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